

Town of Barrington
Public Hearings Notice
Community Development Block Grant Project
informational document

The Barrington Select Board will hold two consecutive public hearings on January 18th, 2021, at 6:30pm., during their virtual board meetings. Information about these public hearings is available on the Town's website at www.barrington.nh.gov.

Due to the Covid-19 Coronavirus Pandemic and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12, pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, the Town of Barrington is authorized to meet electronically. The Town of Barrington will be utilizing Microsoft Teams:

Remote Meeting Participation

- Teams Video Conference: bit.ly/BarrSB
- Call: [+1 603-664-0240](tel:+16036640240) (one-click link)
 - Conference ID: 676 749 973#

Community Development Block Grant funds are available to municipalities through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. Up to \$500,000 annually is available for economic development projects, up to \$500,000 for public facility projects, up to \$500,000 for housing projects, and up to \$500,000 for emergency activities. Up to \$25,000 is available per planning study grant. All projects must directly benefit a majority of low and moderate income persons. The public hearings will be on:

Public Hearing on Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements

This is a proposed application to the Community Development Finance Authority for up to \$500,000 in 2020/2021 Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities Grant. The funds will, in part, finance replacement of sewage disposals systems, including tanks, leach fields and sewage conveyance pipes at Barrington Oak Cooperative, a 49 unit manufactured housing park located on Hall Road in Barrington. The majority of the residents at the Park are of low and moderate income.

This project addresses a goal in Barrington's Housing and Community Development Plan of: Encourage municipal and private water and wastewater systems that are safe, sanitary and meet DES regulations. (Short and Long Term Goal)

Public Hearing on Residential Antidisplacement and Relocation Assistance Plan

This plan outlines measures, under the Uniform Relocation Act, required for CDBG projects that involve any displacement or relocation of persons (or businesses), if the Town were to undertake a CDBG project which involved displacement or relocation they would follow this plan. The plan outlines the measures they would take to find comparable, suitable housing for persons (or businesses) displaced or relocated. This project does not anticipate displacement or relocation.

DISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION CERTIFICATION

Town of Barrington

Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements Project

RESIDENTIAL ANTIDISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN

Every effort will be made to avoid temporary or permanent displacement of an individual due to a CDBG project undertaken by the Town of Barrington.

If relocation is required the Town of Barrington will comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, to any household, regardless of income which is involuntarily and permanently displaced.

If the property is acquired, but will not be used for low/moderate income housing under 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the displacement and relocation plan shall provide:

- a. Comparable replacement housing in the community within three (3) years of the commencement date of the demolition or rehabilitation;
- b. A description of the proposed activity;
- c. The general location on a map and appropriate number of dwelling units by number of bedrooms that will be demolished or converted to a use other than as low and moderate income dwelling units as a direct result of the assisted activity;
- d. A time schedule for the commencement and completion date of the demolition or conversion;
- e. The general location on a map and appropriate number of dwelling units by number of bedrooms that will be provided as replacement dwelling units;
- f. The source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of replacement dwelling units;
- g. The basis for concluding that each replacement dwelling unit will remain a low and moderate income dwelling unit for at least ten (10) years from the date of initial occupancy;
- h. Relocation benefits, including reimbursement for moving expenses, security deposits, credit checks, temporary housing, and other related expenses and either:
 - 1. Sufficient compensation to ensure that, at least for five (5) years after being relocated, any displaced low/moderate income household shall not bear a ratio of shelter costs to income that exceeds thirty (30) percent, or:

2. A lump-sum payment equal to the capitalized value of the compensation available under subparagraph 1. above or a Section 8 certificate of voucher for rental assistance provided through New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority.

- i. The right to elect, as an alternative to the benefits in subparagraph 2. above, to received benefits under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970; and
- j. The right of appeal to the director of CDFA where a claim for assistance under subparagraph 2. above, is denied by the grantee. The director's decision shall be final unless a court determines the decision was arbitrary and capricious.
- k. Subparagraph (2) a. through g. above shall not apply where the HUD Field Office objectively finds that there is an adequate supply of decent, affordable low/moderate income housing in the area.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

The Town of Barrington does not anticipate relocation activities will be necessitated by this project. The Town of Barrington certifies that it will comply with the Uniform Relocation Act and Section 104 (d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

NAME: Conner MacIver

TITLE: Town Administrator

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: January 18, 2021

